Art Unit: 3727

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 8, starting on line 17 with the following amended paragraph:

In the illustrative embodiment, the sealing ring 76 is mounted on the entire outer

the sealing ring 76 may be attached to the outer periphery 82, the flange 92 or to the groove 98

by any suitable manner, including use of adhesive. The sealing ring 76 may be made of any

suitable material. Preferably, the sealing ring 76 is made of a flexible rubber or plastic

material to provide the air-tight seal between the cover 14 and the containing portion 12.

periphery 82 of the inner surface 68 of the cover 14. As shown, a flange 92 is attached to the outer periphery [[28]] 82 of the inner surface 68 to receive the sealing ring 76. The flange 92 includes an arm 94 extending downwardly from the outer periphery 82 and a flange member 96 extending substantially perpendicular from the arm 94. As illustrated, two flange members 96 are provided extending perpendicular to the arm 94. The flange members 96 are substantially parallel to one another. A groove 98 is provided between the flange members 96 and receives the inner edge 86 of the sealing ring 76 to removably locate the sealing ring 76 to the cover 14. Removing the sealing ring 76 facilitates cleaning the container. Alternatively,

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